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In re Application of:

ADERMANN ET AL.

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For: PEPTIDES FROM THE HPTH SEQUENCE

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

This communication responds to the Office Action mailed April 24, 1998, wherein a Restriction Requirement was issued between Group I (Claim 6) and Group II (Claims 3-5). A response to the Office Action is due May 24, 1998, which is a Sunday and since May 25, 1998, is a federal holiday, Applicants are submitting this response on May 26, 1998 without incurring extension fees.

Group I is directed to the peptides from the sequence of hPTH (1-37), and Group II is directed to "antibodies or fragments of antibodies which can be obtained from hPTH (1-37) and diagnostic agents". Applicants herein elect prosecution of Group II.

Applicants respectfully point out that there appears to be a problem with this Restriction Requirement due to misnumbering of Claims. Applicants' representative is aware that a new Examiner has been assigned to this application. Therefore, Applicants request review of the Restriction Requirement and possible re-grouping of the claims.

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, Washington, DC 20231, on May 26, 1998.

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If the Examiner believes any informalities remain in the application which may be corrected by Examiner's Amendment, or there are any other issues which can be resolved by telephone interview, a telephone call to the undersigned attorney at (404) 818-3700 is respectfully solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Mary Anthony Merchant', is written over the printed name.

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